

## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1   Claims 1-30   (Cancelled)

1   31.   (New) A device comprising:

2                 a portable medium;

3                 a machine-readable medium of the portable medium;

4                 instructions stored on the machine-readable medium to store user preference  
5                 information; and

6                 instructions stored on the machine-readable medium to provide a template  
7                 database, the template database including a plurality of user preference templates,  
8                 each corresponding to a particular device, to allow the portable medium to be  
9                 compatible with a plurality of different devices.

1   32.   (New) The device of claim 31, wherein the instructions to provide the template  
2                 database further comprise instructions to provide an identification template to  
3                 include user identification information.

1   33.   (New) The device of claim 31, wherein the instructions to provide the template  
2                 database further comprise instructions to provide a user history template to  
3                 include user history information.

1   34.   (New) The device of claim 31, wherein the portable medium comprises a smart  
2                 card.

1 35. (New) The device of claim 34, wherein the smart card comprises a  
2 microprocessor.

1 36. (New) A system comprising:

2 a device including a communication device to provide a communication link to a  
3 network;

4 a portable medium including a machine-readable medium coupled with the  
5 device;

6 instructions stored on the machine-readable medium to store user preference  
7 information; and

instructions stored on the machine-readable medium to provide a template database, the template database including a plurality of user preference templates, each corresponding to a particular device, to allow the portable medium to be compatible with a plurality of different devices.

1 37. (New) The system of claim 36, wherein the device is selected from a computer  
2 and a television.

1 38. (New) The system of claim 36, wherein the portable medium comprises a smart  
2 card, and wherein the smart card is inserted into a slot of the device.

1 39. (New) The system of claim 36, wherein the communication device is selected  
2 from a modem and a network interface card.

- 1    40. (New) A method comprising:
- 2                accessing, at a device, a portable medium including a machine-readable medium
- 3                having user preference information stored thereon; and
- 4                identifying user preference information associated with the device using a user
- 5                preference template corresponding to the device.
- 1    41. (New) The method of claim 40, further comprising translating the user preference
- 2                information into a format recognized by the device.
- 1    42. (New) The method of claim 40, further comprising accessing the user preference
- 2                template from a template database.
- 1    43. (New) The method of claim 40, further comprising updating the user preference
- 2                information, with the device, based on user pattern.
- 1    44. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein said updating comprises dynamically
- 2                updating.
- 1    45. (New) A machine-readable medium having stored thereon instructions which,
- 2                when executed by a processor, causes the processor to:
- 3                access user preference information stored on a machine-readable medium; and
- 4                identify user preference information associated with a device using a user
- 5                preference template corresponding to the device.
- 1    46. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 45, further comprising instructions
- 2                which, when executed by the processor, causes the processor to:

3 provide a template database, the template database including a plurality of user  
4 preference templates, each corresponding to a particular device, to allow the  
5 portable medium to be compatible with a plurality of different devices.

1 47. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 46, wherein the instructions to  
2 provide the template database further comprising instructions which, when  
3 executed by the processor, causes the processor to:

4 provide an identification template to include user identification information.

1 48. (New) A method comprising:

2 accessing, with a device, a portable medium including a machine-readable  
3 medium;

4 identifying a user based on user identification information stored on the machine-  
5 readable medium;

6 retrieving user preference information associated with the device by using a user  
7 preference template corresponding to the device;

8 displaying information to the user based on the retrieved preference information.

1 49. (New) The method of claim 48, wherein said identifying the user comprises  
2 retrieving an identification template from a template database.

1 50. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising, prior to said retrieving,  
2 accessing the user preference template from a plurality of user preference  
3 templates corresponding to a plurality of different devices.

1 51. (New) The method of claim 48, wherein the portable medium comprises a smart  
2 card.

1 52. (New) The method of claim 48, wherein the device is selected from a television, a  
2 computer, a PDA, a cellular phone, a portable media player, a web terminal, and a  
3 set-top box.

1 53. (New) The method of claim 52, wherein the device is selected from a television  
2 and a computer.

1 54. (New) The method of claim 48, further comprising:

2 tracking user pattern and gathering usage data;

3 analyzing the usage data;

4 configuring the analyzed data; and

5 updating the user preference information.

1 55. (New) The method of claim 54, further comprising:

2 retrieving a user history template corresponding to the device from a template  
3 database; and

4 populating the user history template with the usage data.

1 56. (New) The method of claim 54, wherein said analyzing the usage data comprises  
2 analyzing text selected from closed caption information and articles associated  
3 with the displayed information.

1 57. (New) The method of claim 54, wherein said analyzing the usage data comprises  
2 analyzing audio information selected from words, phrases, and audio expressions  
3 associated with the displayed information.

1 58. (New) The method of claim 54, wherein said analyzing the usage data comprises  
2 analyzing video associated with the displayed information.

1 59. (New) The method of claim 54, wherein the updating the user preferences  
2 comprising dynamically updating the user preferences.  
